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Certificate Program

The University
of Illinois
Gerontology Center

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, GERONTOLOGY CENTER

The University of Illinois Gerontology Center, located in the School of Public Health at the University of Illinois at Chicago, has been designated as the academic center for the coordination of clinical, research, service, educational and training activities in aging. The Certificate Program originates in this Center and is coordinated through the Office of Continuing Education and Public Service in the School of Public Health.

Because the field of gerontology represents an amalgam of many academic disciplines, the University of Illinois, like most universities, does not offer a degree program in this area. Still, there is a demand for programming and formal recognition of academic training in gerontology by those working in or preparing for aging-related careers.

THE GERONTOLOGY CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

In response to this demand, the University of Illinois Gerontology Center offers the Gerontology Certificate Program which allows each participant to design an individual learning plan, incorporating coursework from areas such as anatomy, architecture, biological sciences, health, nursing, nutrition, occupational therapy, pharmacy, physical education and recreation, psychology, public health, social work, and sociology. While a Certificate in Gerontology can be earned without enrollment in a degree program, degree-seeking students may also coordinate their program so that certificate requirements can be met, often with little additional coursework.

All courses are available through the various colleges and departments of the University of Illinois at Chicago. Courses

may be taken on both sides of the campus which are served by a free shuttle bus.

REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of twelve quarter hours of credit is required to earn the Certificate in Gerontology.

Non-degree students or individuals not currently enrolled in the University may satisfy certificate requirements by taking courses for non-degree credit. If there is a subsequent enrollment in a graduate degree program, up to twelve hours may be applied toward the degree.

Students enrolled in any graduate degree program at the University of Illinois may apply up to nine quarter hours of coursework toward the total of twelve required for the certificate, if those courses are approved as related to gerontology. Undergraduate seniors who are within eight hours of completing requirements for graduation may also enroll for the Certificate Program, but may not transfer credits earned for the Certificate into a graduate degree program at a later time.

The Certificate, awarded on completion of study, is signed by the Chancellor and the Director of the University of Illinois Gerontology Center.

COST

If you are accepted in the Certificate Program, you are responsible for payment of standard tuition and other fees assessed by the University. There is also a one-time nonrefundable fee of $40 to cover the costs related to the administration of the Certificate Program.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Application materials, academic requirements, and a listing of approved gerontology courses will be forwarded on request. All inquiries regarding the Gerontology Certificate Program should be directed to:

Gerontology Certificate Program/Office of Continuing Education and Public Service
School of Public Health (M/C 922)
The University of Illinois at Chicago
Box 6998
Chicago, Illinois 60680
(312) 996-5768 or 1-800-UIC-SPHL

☐ Yes, please forward information on the Gerontology Certificate Program, including application materials, academic requirements, and a listing of approved gerontology courses.

☐ No, I do not wish to apply for the Certificate Program at this time, but I would like to be on the mailing list for the Gerontology Center.

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Evening Phone: _____

☐ I am currently enrolled in a degree program at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

☐ I am currently enrolled in a degree program at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

☐ I wish to enter a credit/non-degree program.

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